

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1183

By Grills

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Meredith McMackins on her selection as Finley Elementary School Teacher of the Year.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those outstanding teachers who have devoted their careers to providing the highest-quality education for Tennessee's students; and

WHEREAS, Meredith McMackins is one such estimable educator, who has distinguished herself as a professional of the greatest dedication, ability, and integrity; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. McMackins has been selected as the Finley Elementary School Teacher of the Year, a most befitting honor that recognizes the positive influence she has on so many young lives; and

WHEREAS, a teacher at Finley Elementary School for twelve years, Meredith McMackins currently teaches second grade; and

WHEREAS, during her career in education, she has served on the Finley Elementary Leadership Team, district- and state-levels English language arts textbook adoption committees, numerous TCAP assessment committees, and the 2019 WestTeach teacher leadership program; she was recently named to the inaugural Governor's Early Literacy Foundation Council; and

WHEREAS, she graduated from the University of Tennessee at Martin with a Bachelor of Science degree in Integrated Studies K-6 and 4-8; she earned a master's degree in curriculum and instruction from Arkansas State University and master's plus 30 from the University of Tennessee at Martin in educational leadership and English as a second language; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. McMackins is grateful for the love and support of her husband, Jake; and

WHEREAS, Meredith McMackins is an extremely talented and compassionate educator who goes beyond the curriculum to motivate her students to reach their full potential, both as scholars and as citizens; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. McMackins serves as an inspiration to her colleagues and students alike, and her friendship and counsel are highly valued by those who are fortunate to know her; and

WHEREAS, Meredith McMackins truly epitomizes the dedicated teacher who is wholly committed to the highest ideals of public service and quality education for all, and she should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor and congratulate Meredith McMackins on being chosen as Finley Elementary School Teacher of the Year, commend her exceptional service to the children of Tennessee, salute her professional expertise and personal excellence, and wish her all the best in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.